

the web 74, resting on the top of the adjoining flange 82. The outer surfaces of the web 74 and the upper surfaces of the formation 68 above the ribs 76 merge together over concavely curved regions so formed as to ensure a camming action with the flanges 82 when the member 54 is raised and tilted, ensuring the gradual lowering on one side of the rib 76 as the member 54 is tilted, automatically, without any conscious control by the operative. Tilting of the members 54 to the position shown in FIG. 8 leaves the member 54 displaced entirely to the inner side of the plane of the outer surfaces of the cross-members 7 on the highest side of the member 54, thereby allowing a rectangular sheet of paper, flexible card or the like bearing advertising or informative matter or the like to be slid downwardly, as illustrated in FIG. 8, past the member 54, with its edges accommodated between the respective cladding sheet 52 and the outer walls of the outer channels of the uprights 5. The central member 54 in FIG. 7, i.e. that shown in full, is also in the tilted position and it will be noted that the respective cladding sheet 52 is fully exposed. When such a sheet has been thus fitted in place, with, of course, its upper edge lying substantially at the upper edge of the respective cross members 7 and its lower edges accommodated within the respective channels presented (see below) by the respective lower member 56, the member 54 can be tilted back into its normal position and pressed downwardly to clip the formation 68 around the bead of the flange 84.

A spacer member 1, shown in perspective in FIGS. 5 and 6 and in side elevation in FIG. 9a is fitted in the upper end of the central channel of the upright extrusion 5 after insertion of the member 30 of the upper horizontal 7, (and into the lower end of the upright extrusion 5 after insertion of the member 30 of the lower horizontal 7), the member 1 having a part-cylindrical form adapted to fit within the arcuate base portion of

ht. Member 1 has a flange around its upper end which engages the end face of the upright in which member 1 is inserted. The screws 9 are passed through respective central passages defined by the members 1 before entry into the spaces defined between the hook formations 34 and the opposing surfaces of the ribs 42. The members 1 act primarily as spacers to ensure accurate location of the members 30, but the upper surfaces of the members 1 also act as bearing surfaces for the connecting plates 20.

The uprights 5 at either end of each unit of pivotally interconnected panels, i.e. the uprights 5 which are not meshed with adjoining uprights 5, are covered, at their upper and lower ends, by end caps 100 (see FIG. 9c) which have central apertures 102 to receive fixing screws 9 which, like the fixing screws 9 securing the plates 20, are extended axially through respective spacers 1 into the bores defined between the hook formations of the respective members 30 and the cooperating portions of the inner ribs 42. Each end cap 100 has, on that face thereof which is presented upwardly (in the case of a cap 100 at the upper end of its upright) and downwardly (in the case of a cap 100 at the lower end of its upright), a circular recess 104. In the case of the caps 100 at the upper ends of their uprights, the heads of the fixing screws 9 are received within respective further countersunk recesses at the bottoms of the recesses 104. In the case of the caps 100 at the lower ends of the uprights 5, there is located within each recess 104 an annular spacer member 106 (shown in plan in FIG. 9d) having a thickness or depth almost twice that of the

recess 104 and which therefore projects axially from the recess 104. The fixing screws 9 at the lower ends of the uprights are passed axially through the members 106 as well as through the caps 100, spacers 1, etc.

When an upper and lower unit are fitted together in the manner shown in FIG. 1, the projecting portions of the members 106 at the lower end of the upper unit are received in and locate in the recesses 104 of the caps 100 at the upper ends of the uprights of the lower unit, thereby preventing transverse displacement of the uprights of the upper unit relative to the uprights of the lower unit. Furthermore, the members 56 at the lower ends of the units have vertical plates or strips 110 extending downwardly therefrom which, when the upper unit is superimposed upon the lower unit as shown in FIG. 1, are received within the respective upwardly presented channels 72 of the upper members 54 of the lower unit. The members 56 may be extrusions of the same cross section as the members 54, i.e. that illustrated in FIG. 10d, with the strips 110 being inserted in the channels 72 of the members 56 and fixed therein, for example by adhesive, welding or the like. Alternatively, the strips 110 may be formed integrally with the remainder of the members 56, by forming the latter as extrusions of a cross section corresponding substantially to the combination of that of FIG. 10d with strips 110 inserted in the channel 72.

At their ends, the strips 110 extend partially beyond the ends of the respective horizontal members 7 over which they are fitted into the region of the inner channels of the respective uprights 5, and thus extend beyond the ends of the channels 60, and each strip 110 at its ends is formed with a cut-away or slot 112. It will be noted from FIG. 9c, for example, that each end cap 100 has a radially projecting tab 114, and, adjoining the latter, a cut-out 117. On its underside (in the case of the caps 100 at the upper ends of uprights 5) each cap 100 has an arcuate projection which is received within the space 116 defined immediately radially inwardly of the toothed periphery of the extrusion 5 and which space is terminated circumferentially by the base walls of the channels 50. The last-noted projection operating in the space 116 acts as a stop whereby rotation of the cap 100 about the axis of the respective upright 5 is limited to movement between a first limiting position in which the cut-out 117 is aligned with and forms an extension of the mouth of the channel 80 of the cross member 7 and a second position in which the tab 114 is aligned with the channel 80 in the cross member. Assuming the upper caps 100 of the lower unit B are in their first position, and both units are in a folded-flat, zig-zag configuration, all as shown in FIG. 4, vertical insertion of the respective strips 110 of the upper unit into the respective channels 70 of the lower unit is possible, in such manner that the projecting members 106 of the upper unit fit within the recesses 104 of the uppermost caps 100 of the lower unit B. After the upper unit A has thus been lowered into place on the lower unit B, the caps 100 of the lower unit may then be rotated into their second positions in which the tabs 114 lie within the slots 112 thereby preventing upward removal of the upper unit A from the lower unit B.

It will be noted from FIG. 9b that the plates 20 have respective cut outs 120 corresponding in form to the cut-outs 117. These cut-outs 120 are aligned with the respective upright channels 80 only when the panels of the unit are folded flat against one another in zig-zag in this position, the plates 20 do not interfere with the